1	BEFORE THE
2	ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION
3	IN THE MATTER OF:
4	ROCKWELL UTILITIES, LLC )  No. 06-0522
5	Petition for a Certificate of ) Public Convenience and Necessity )
6	to provide water and sanitary ) sewer service to parcels in Lake )
7	County, pursuant to Section 8-406 ) of the Public Utilities Act
8 9	ROCKWELL UTILITIES, LLC )  No. 06-0523
10	Petition for a Certificate of ) Public Convenience and Necessary ) to provide water and sanitary )
11 12	sewer service to parcels in Lake ) County, pursuant to Section 8-406 ) of the Public Utilities Act
13	Chicago, Illinois
14	June 1, 2007
15	Met, pursuant to adjournment, at
16	10 o'clock a.m.
17	BEFORE:
18	MS. LESLIE HAYNES and MR. TERRANCE HILLIARD,
19	Administrative Law Judges
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- 1 JUDGE HAYNES: We will now call 06-0522 and
- 2 06-0523. These are the consolidated petitions of
- 3 Rockwell, LLC.
- 4 May I have appearances for the
- 5 record, please.
- 6 MR. CASEY: On behalf of Rockwell Utilities,
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- 2 Moraine Wastewater Reclamation District, Monica J.
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- 4 Monroe, Chicago, Illinois, 60661.
- JUDGE HAYNES: Are there any further appearances?
- 6 (No verbal response.)
- 7 Let the record reflect there are none.
- 8 (No further appearances.)
- 9 I would like just to note for the
- 10 record that Judge Hilliard has been added as a
- 11 co-ALJ in this proceeding and in the event I'm
- 12 unavailable to complete the proceedings, and other
- 13 than that, we're here on an evidentiary hearing
- 14 today, but there are a couple preliminary matters
- 15 that we need to deal with first.
- 16 MR. HILLIARD: Before you get into that, let me
- 17 indicate for the record that I discovered this
- 18 morning that Mr. Carroll, who's a witness in this
- 19 proceeding, is the same Mr. Carroll who lives across
- 20 the street from me.
- 21 We are not acquaintances. We're not
- 22 social friends. I don't think it is relevant to the

- 1 outcome of the case.
- 2 JUDGE HAYNES: Okay. So I guess first we can
- 3 talk about the E-mail I received this morning from
- 4 Ms. Mosby -- I guess that was yesterday afternoon --
- 5 regarding Rockwell's response to the interrogatories
- 6 or lack of response to interrogatories.
- 7 Would The District like to explain
- 8 further?
- 9 MS. MOSBY: We did receive a response from
- 10 Rockwell last night.
- 11 JUDGE HAYNES: Okay.
- 12 JUDGE HILLIARD: The issue is resolved then?
- 13 MS. RICH: We'll say it's resolved until we have
- 14 time to go through and see if we have any issues.
- 15 Obviously, it's 10 o'clock in the morning here on
- 16 Friday. We have got a response to a number of
- 17 documents last night while we were preparing for
- 18 hearing. I think it's very premature to determine
- 19 for certain if the issue is resolved, but we will
- 20 look at it immediately, and if -- after the hearing
- 21 if we have any issues, we'll notify counsel and the
- 22 Commission by Monday.

- 1 JUDGE HAYNES: Okay. Next thing would be the
- 2 motions to strike filed by both staff and Rockwell
- 3 Utilities, and The District wants to respond to
- 4 those this morning?
- 5 MS. RICH: The District instead is requesting a
- 6 reasonable time to file a written response to more
- 7 than 20 pages of motions to strike that were filed
- 8 just the other day by Rockwell and the staff. The
- 9 effective granting of these motions would be to
- 10 deflect the dismissal of The District's case because
- 11 Rockwell and staff seek to exclude the testimony of
- 12 The District's primary witness, Ken Michaels, which
- 13 would, if granted, leave The District without a
- 14 single exhibit in this case as well.
- There are very serious due process
- 16 concerns with telling The District late on Thursday
- 17 in the E-mail that we received from the Commission
- 18 that we could respond by either filing a brief early
- 19 this morning, Friday, or responding with arguments
- 20 on the record at this morning's hearing. That is
- 21 less than one business day to respond to 20 pages of
- 22 briefs seeking to strike virtually all of The

- 1 District's case and all of its exhibits, and that
- 2 one business day is the day before the hearing when,
- 3 of course, we were busy preparing for the hearing.
- We all know that the ALJs in this case,
- 5 one of whom was appointed just this week, cannot
- 6 issue the recommendation to the Commission in this
- 7 matter until they have read the transcript of
- 8 today's hearing and consider the evidence that will
- 9 be presented today.
- 10 We cannot do that until the court
- 11 reporter, who's transcribing these proceedings
- 12 today, prepares, reviews, and completes the
- 13 transcript, and provides it to the ALJ, and the
- 14 parties, and we all have a chance to review it as
- 15 well, and the new ALJ must become familiar with the
- 16 record which, when we looked at the E-docket
- 17 yesterday, already contained approximately 100
- 18 different docket entries in the underlying documents
- 19 for each of those individual 100 items.
- We all know that's not going to happen
- 21 today, so there is no reason to impose a Draconian
- 22 deadline this morning on The District, and, just the

- 1 so the record is clear, it's important to note that
- 2 both Rockwell and the staff have known for well over
- 3 a month The District's president, Mr. Michaels, is a
- 4 witness in this case, that is when he filed his
- 5 direct testimony on the 20th of April.
- 6 Today is June 1st. Both Rockwell and
- 7 staff waited until the very last minute, that is May
- 8 30, to argue that Mr. Michaels' testimony is barred
- 9 due to his filing of an appearance as co-counsel to
- 10 my firm, Katten, Muchin, Rosenman, on March 9th.
- 11 The last minute arguments of Rockwell
- 12 and the staff are legally and factually wrong.
- 13 Lawyer's testimony is barred only when it would hurt
- 14 their clients and here it's just the opposite is
- 15 true.
- Mr. Michaels is the only district
- 17 witness who can provide the comprehensive testimony
- 18 that The District is presenting, including
- 19 interaction of the various requirements to which The
- 20 District and utilities are subject and how in
- 21 practice these requirements work together and
- 22 implemented in a consistent way.

- 1 Also, the law is clear that if Rockwell
- 2 and the staff are entitled to any remedy at all in
- 3 their motions that is withdrawal of Mr. Michaels'
- 4 appearance.
- 5 As to the testimony of George Roach,
- 6 Rockwell and the staff incorrectly argued that his
- 7 testimony about rates when it's clear that his
- 8 testimony goes to the heart of the central issue in
- 9 this case, least cost under Section 8-406.
- 10 Due process requires that The District
- 11 must be allowed a reasonable time to respond in
- 12 writing.
- MS. BUELL: Your Honors, staff would just like
- 14 to note for the record that staff and Rockwell filed
- 15 its pretrial motion on the date that was established
- 16 at the last status hearing. The District didn't
- 17 object to it then and it is not appropriate for The
- 18 District to object to it now.
- 19 Also, the parties have and staff have
- 20 initial briefs due on June 15th, so putting off a
- 21 decision in this matter is not going to work under
- 22 the present schedule.

- 1 Also, from Ms. Rich's comments, it
- 2 sounds like The District is prepared to make its
- 3 oral argument today. In fact, staff believes she's
- 4 already done so.
- 5 MS. RICH: We disagree strongly. We have 20
- 6 pages of briefs, and while some people might argue
- 7 that I have spoken at length, people who know the
- 8 length of the brief that we should be entitled to
- 9 file, if let's say it's a 20-page brief, we would
- 10 have been here a long time, and, quite frankly, we
- 11 have not had the opportunity to respond.
- 12 The other point that I make is very,
- 13 very important in this case is that going and
- 14 looking back over the record, this case has been
- 15 pending for a very long time and suddenly we had an
- 16 emergency pretty much at the last minute here
- 17 because, quite frankly, Rockwell's own failure to
- 18 move the case forward.
- They have had their temporary
- 20 certificate since last August, why we should be in
- 21 this position at this point is not the fault of The
- 22 District. Rockwell needs to move its case forward,

- 1 they didn't, and to -- well, the Commission is
- 2 clearly considering the record in this case to not
- 3 allow The District until say the end of next week to
- 4 file its brief, again denial of due process.
- 5 JUDGE HAYNES: Mr. Casey, do you have anything
- 6 you want to say?
- 7 MR. CASEY: Well, your Honor, Rockwell concurs
- 8 with staff's position in response to or reply to
- 9 Ms. Rich's response.
- 10 ALJ Haynes did, in fact, impose or
- 11 select a date for which to file pretrial motions.
- 12 No party objected. Each party was fully aware of
- 13 the time frame of the limited amount of days between
- 14 the due date and the time for filing.
- Ms. Rich goes at length to talk about
- 16 process and the enability to formulate a response to
- 17 our motion, then goes on to go point by point as to
- 18 the substance of the response.
- 19 The argument that somehow Rockwell is
- 20 to blame for their -- NoMo's enability to respond
- 21 here today is the same tired argument that we've
- 22 heard now for quite sometime. It's Rockwell's fault

- 1 that "NoMo" would enter into a confidentiality
- 2 agreement and, therefore, delay "NoMo" in receiving
- 3 confidential documents. It's Rockwell's fault that
- 4 they don't have enough time to respond to a motion
- 5 to strike -- staff's motion to strike. It's a tired
- 6 argument and it doesn't apply.
- 7 MS. RICH: In response, all we'll say is there's
- 8 clearly time built into the schedule to do this. As
- 9 everyone knows, the new commissioner has to get
- 10 familiar with the proceedings, and he'll clearly be
- 11 reading documents long beyond the end of next week,
- 12 and one of those documents ought to be from a due
- 13 process perspective to NoMo's response.
- 14 JUDGE HILLIARD: We'll be right back.
- 15 (A brief recess was
- 16 taken.)
- 17 JUDGE HAYNES: Okay. Let's go back on the
- 18 record. After discussing with Judge Hilliard, we
- 19 have decided to allow The District an opportunity to
- 20 respond in writing and, obviously, other parties can
- 21 reply in writing, and, for the record procedurally
- 22 today, then we'll go ahead as though the --

- 1 JUDGE HILLIARD: We're deferring ruling on the
- 2 motion.
- 3 JUDGE HAYNES: We are deferring ruling on the
- 4 motion and we'll go ahead with the cross of any
- 5 witnesses and, if necessary, when we rule, those
- 6 appropriate parts of the transcript will be
- 7 stricken, so I believe you indicated you can respond
- 8 by Monday.
- 9 MS. RICH: I asked until the end of next week.
- 10 JUDGE HAYNES: And initial briefs are due June
- 11 15th. Is that --
- MS. BUELL: That's your Honors' initial briefs
- 13 June 15th, reply briefs June 22nd.
- MS. RICH: So then why don't we respond on or
- 15 before June 8th and then the other parties can
- 16 incorporate their replies into their June 15 briefs.
- 17 JUDGE HAYNES: Because then they have to -- if
- 18 any of the testimony is stricken, that would -- the
- 19 matter needs to be decided before briefs so that
- 20 parties know what to include in their briefs, so I
- 21 have to say Monday and Tuesday at the latest for
- 22 your response.

- 1 MS. RICH: We'll agree to Tuesday.
- 2 JUDGE HAYNES: And replies -- so that would be
- 3 Tuesday, June 5th, replies by Thursday, June 7th.
- 4 Okay. So --
- 5 MS. BUELL: Your Honors, is it possible that we
- 6 could have until June 8th, even noon on June 8th on
- 7 Tuesday would be helpful?
- 8 JUDGE HAYNES: That's okay.
- 9 MS. BUELL: Thank you.
- 10 JUDGE HAYNES: So responses June 5th and replies
- 11 noon on June 8th.
- MR. CASEY: Your Honors, with respect to a couple
- 13 of things, one's timing, on the June 5th -- well,
- 14 our replies due on June 8th at noon.
- 15 JUDGE HAYNES: Uh-huh.
- 16 MR. CASEY: Service of our replies to the parties
- 17 by noon. I ask that "NoMo" or a deadline be imposed
- 18 upon the June 7th time of service of the responses
- 19 no later than 5 p.m., on that day.
- 20 JUDGE HAYNES: I have to agree that service by
- 21 5 p.m., also be sure to serve the ALJs with this
- 22 particular motion, which I believe The District has

- 1 failed to do it.
- 2 MS. RICH: Will do.
- 3 MR. CASEY: Secondly, your Honors, I would ask
- 4 that your Honors reconsider your ruling, at least in
- 5 one respect, and that's on the issue of whether or
- 6 not Mr. Michaels can continue wearing three hats and
- 7 whether he can continue to act as counsel, witness,
- 8 and a client.
- 9 The reason we're asking for that is the
- 10 unfairness and prejudice to Rockwell allowing them
- 11 to do so with three hats.
- 12 Ms. Rich has indicated in her response
- 13 that she's fully aware that one of the remedies when
- 14 a lawyer becomes a witness is withdraw as counsel
- 15 for the case.
- I ask your Honors to reconsider the
- 17 ruling, proponents of the ruling on that particular
- 18 issue, and instruct or order Mr. Michaels to
- 19 withdraw as counsel for the case, as well as bar him
- 20 from participating at the counsel table during the
- 21 pendency of this proceeding.
- MS. RICH: Your Honors, my response is that

- 1 Mr. Michaels is not sitting here at the counsel
- 2 table with us. If we thought that would resolve the
- 3 issue as the clear remedy under Illinois law, we
- 4 would be glad to withdraw Mr. Michaels' appearance.
- 5 The real distinction in this case is
- 6 that if you all remember I wasn't here, but
- 7 according to the transcript and Ms. Mosby, the way
- 8 it appeared to me is that Mr. Michaels showed up
- 9 when our computer system had a glitch at the time
- 10 change and Ms. Mosby and I were not here.
- 11 Mr. Michaels was there and was actually
- 12 requested to enter his appearance as counsel,
- 13 otherwise, told he couldn't speak, and that's the
- 14 only reason he did that, so Katten, Muchin, Roseman
- 15 has always been the law firm representing The
- 16 District in this matter, and withdrawing
- 17 Mr. Michaels' appearance, if that would resolve the
- 18 issue of his acting as a witness, is appropriate and
- 19 we would do that.
- 20 JUDGE HILLIARD: I think Mr. Casey's comment was
- 21 that it would -- that he's wearing three hats and
- 22 they prefer he wore one or the two.

- 1 MS. RICH: Mr. Casey's own client is wearing a
- 2 couple of hats as a witness and client. Kirk is the
- 3 sole member of Rockwell Utilities, and that's
- 4 Mr. Carroll, so Mr. Carroll is wearing two hats.
- 5 I'll be glad to get Mr. Michaels down to two hats by
- 6 removing him as counsel on an even field.
- 7 JUDGE HAYNES: You have something you want to
- 8 say?
- 9 MS. BUELL: Your Honors, as mentioned in staff's
- 10 motion to strike, Mr. Michaels has not only entered
- 11 an appearance, spoken on the status hearing, but
- 12 continues to speak as an attorney representing The
- 13 District at status hearings, so staff's preference
- 14 would be that if he removed any hat, it would be
- 15 that of a witness because he's already served
- 16 repeatedly as counsel.
- 17 JUDGE HAYNES: I think the transcript is clear
- 18 what role Mr. Michaels has played, and we're not --
- 19 we're reserving the ruling on the overall motion to
- 20 strike; however, we agree with Mr. Casey and it
- 21 would be -- it would be inappropriate for
- 22 Mr. Michaels to act as an attorney at today's

- 1 proceeding.
- 2 MS. RICH: Again, as you can see, that's not what
- 3 he's doing here today, so there is no issue and
- 4 we'll agree to that.
- 5 JUDGE HAYNES: Are there any other preliminary
- 6 matters?
- 7 (No response.)
- 8 Okay. Mr. Casey, would you like to
- 9 call your first witness.
- 10 MR. CASEY: Your Honors, I call John Carroll.
- 11 JUDGE HAYNES: Good morning. Mr. Carroll raise
- 12 your --
- MR. CARROLL: Good morning.
- 14 JUDGE HAYNES: Raise your right hand.
- 15 (Witness sworn.)
- 16 Thank you.
- JOHN P. CARROLL,
- 18 called as a witness herein, having been first duly
- 19 sworn, was examined and testified as follows:
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- 1 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 2 BY
- 3 MR. CASEY:
- 4 Q. Please state your full name for the record.
- 5 A. John P. Carroll.
- 6 Q. Mr. Carroll, who are you employed by?
- 7 A. The Kirk Corporation.
- 8 Q. What is your position with Kirk?
- 9 A. I'm president and chief executive officer.
- 10 Q. In this proceeding you compiled -- submitted
- 11 three pieces of testimony, is that correct --
- 12 A. That is correct.
- 13 O. -- the revised -- excuse me. Rockwell
- 14 Exhibit 1.0R, the Revised Direct Testimony of John
- 15 P. Carroll?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. Mr. Carroll, if I were to ask you questions
- 18 that's contained in your revised direct testimony
- 19 today and were also set forth in your exhibit, would
- 20 your answers be the same today?
- 21 A. There are a few clarifications I would like
- 22 to make.

- 1 MR. CASEY: All right. Your Honors, may I
- 2 approach?
- 3 JUDGE HAYNES: Yes.
- 4 MR. CASEY: We have an informal errata sheet,
- 5 some corrections to Mr. Carroll's revised direct,
- 6 his rebuttal, as well as surrebuttal. All of these
- 7 corrections are really to account for the ruling by
- 8 ALJ Haynes withdrawing the issue regarding rates and
- 9 the filing of the revised amended petition.
- 10 Procedurally, your Honors, we can state
- 11 on the record what those changes are or, if there's
- 12 no objection, we can simply file our electronic
- 13 errata assuming there are no further changes to the
- 14 testimony based on cross today.
- 15 JUDGE HAYNES: It's fine with me if it's just
- 16 submitted electronically.
- 17 JUDGE HILLIARD: Maybe you should make -- you
- 18 want to give that a number -- exhibit number of some
- 19 sort, your errata sheet --
- 20 MR. CASEY: You know, certainly --
- 21 JUDGE HILLIARD: -- or identify it someway other
- 22 than errata sheet?

- 1 JUDGE HAYNES: We can call it Errata 2, 1.0R and
- 2 file it on e-docket today.
- 3 MR. CASEY: Q. All right. Mr. Carroll, I show
- 4 you what's been marked for identification as
- 5 Rockwell Errata 1.0. Are you familiar with the
- 6 document?
- 7 A. Yes, I am.
- 8 Q. And do those reflect the changes that you
- 9 would like to make to all three pieces of your
- 10 testimony in this matter?
- 11 A. Yes, it does.
- 12 MR. CASEY: Your Honors, then we'll file this
- 13 afternoon an electronic copy of the errata.
- 14 With respect to Rockwell Exhibit 1.0R,
- 15 Rockwell would submit Mr. Carroll for
- 16 cross-examination and ask that that exhibit be
- 17 admitted.
- 18 MR. CASEY: Q. Mr. Carroll, did you prepare
- 19 rebuttal testimony of John P. Carroll, Exhibit 5.0?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. And other than the changes reflected in
- 22 Rockwell Errata 1.0, if I were to ask you questions

- 1 contained in that document, would your answers be
- 2 the same today as they were when you prepared that
- 3 rebuttal testimony?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 MR. CASEY: At this time we move also for the
- 6 admission of Rockwell Exhibit 5.0 subject to cross.
- 7 MR. CASEY: Q. And, Mr. Carroll, did you prepare
- 8 surrebuttal testiony of John P. Carroll, Rockwell
- 9 Exhibit No. 9?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. And subject to the one change beginning on
- 12 Rockwell Exhibit -- Errata Exhibit No. 1, if I were
- 13 to ask you all the questions contained within that
- 14 surrebuttal testimony today, would your answers be
- 15 the same as they were in that testimony?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 MR. CASEY: At this time I move for admission of
- 18 Rockwell Exhibit 9.0.
- 19 JUDGE HAYNES: Is there any objection to
- 20 admitting the four exhibits, 1.0R for the errata, to
- 21 1.0, 5 through 9?.
- 22 MS. BUELL: No objection from staff, your Honors.

- 1 MS. MOSBY: No objection from The District.
- 2 JUDGE HAYNES: Those exhibits, as previously
- 3 filed on e-docket, and the errata will be filed
- 4 today, are admitted into the record.
- 5 (Whereupon, Rockwell
- 6 Exhibit Nos. 1.0, 1.0R,
- 7 5.0, and 9.0 were
- 8 previously marked for
- 9 identification and
- 10 received in evidence.)
- 11 Who would like to go first with
- 12 cross-examination?
- MS. BUELL: Your Honors, staff has no cross for
- 14 this witness.
- 15 MS. MOSBY: The District has a few questions,
- 16 your Honors.
- 17 JUDGE HAYNES: Proceed.
- 18 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 19 BY
- 20 MS. MOSBY:
- Q. Good morning, Mr. Carroll. I'm Monica
- 22 Mosby, one of the attorneys for Northern Moraine

- 1 Wastewater Reclamation District. How are you?
- 2 A. Good morning.
- 3 JUDGE HILLIARD: Make sure you come close to the
- 4 mike so people on the phone can hear, too.
- 5 MS. MOSBY: Okay. Is this okay?
- 6 JUDGE HAYNES: We'll see.
- 7 MS. MOSBY: Can you hear me?
- 8 MR. CASEY: See if it's even on.
- 9 MS. MOSBY: I don't think it's on. Hello. Hello.
- 10 There we go. Okay.
- 11 MS. MOSBY: Q. Okay. Mr. Carroll, I have a few
- 12 questions for you. I'm going to refer to Northern
- 13 Moraine Wastewater Reclamation District as "The
- 14 District." Is that okay?
- 15 A. (Witness nodded head.)
- 16 Q. According to your revised testimony, and I'm
- 17 looking at Page 5, Lines 107 through 118, and you
- 18 discuss a geographic area that Rockwell seeks to
- 19 serve and you state that that area is outlined in
- 20 JPC 1.2 and 1.3, which are maps, I believe a legal
- 21 description of -- legal description of the area
- 22 where Rockwell seeks to serve. It's Page 5 of your

- 1 revised --
- 2 A. Revised direct?
- 3 Q. Yes, your revised direct.
- 4 A. Okay.
- 5 Q. 107 through 118 you discuss the area -- the
- 6 geographic area that Rockwell seeks to serve and you
- 7 state that it's described in JPC 1.2 and 1.3.
- 8 A. That's correct.
- 9 O. Are you familiar, Mr. Carroll, with the
- 10 Northeastern Illinois Planning Commission sometimes
- 11 referred to as NIPC, N-I-P-C, or now commonly called
- 12 Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning?
- 13 A. I'm familiar with that organization, yes.
- Q. Okay. From this point here on out I'm going
- 15 to call it NIPC just for simplicity.
- 16 Are you aware that The District filed a
- 17 facilities plan amendment with NIPC?
- 18 MR. CASEY: Your Honor, at this time I'm going to
- 19 object. So the record is clear, this is beyond the
- 20 rebuttal testimony prepared by Mr. Carroll. There's
- 21 no discussion of FPA, or NIPC, or anything else in
- 22 his rebuttal raised by Mr. Carroll, so it's beyond

- 1 the scope of his testimony, and I move that the
- 2 question be stricken and my objection be sustained.
- JUDGE HAYNES: Overruled, but we'll see where you
- 4 are headed.
- 5 MS. MOSBY: Okay. Thank you.
- 6 MS. MOSBY: Q. I'll repeat the question,
- 7 Mr. Carroll. Are you aware that The District filed
- 8 a facilities plan amendment with NIPC?
- 9 A. Yes, I'm aware of one facilities plan
- 10 amendment I believe was filed. I'm not sure which
- 11 one, if there's been more than one. I'm aware of
- 12 when one I believe was prepared in '04, late '04,
- 13 which I've seen a copy of a document, never used the
- 14 document itself.
- 15 JUDGE HILLIARD: When you speak, you talk to each
- 16 other and it doesn't project up here.
- MS. MOSBY: Q. Did you get --
- 18 JUDGE HILLIARD: Yes.
- 19 MS. MOSBY: -- his response?
- 20 MS. MOSBY: Q. And are you aware, Mr. Carroll,
- 21 that NIPC recommended The District's facilities plan
- 22 amendment for full approval?

- 1 MR. CASEY: Objection. The witness stated that
- 2 he saw the cover sheet. He didn't state that he had
- 3 ultimate knowledge of what NoMo was looking for
- 4 within the amendment or what was filed in NIPC.
- 5 MS. MOSBY: Your Honors, because he --
- 6 JUDGE HILLIARD: Overruled. You can ask the
- 7 question if you know the answer.
- 8 THE WITNESS: I'm not -- no, I'm not aware of
- 9 whether they have or they have not.
- 10 MS. MOSBY: Q. Mr. Carroll, are you aware that
- 11 the area Rockwell seeks to serve, as outlined in
- 12 your Exhibit JPC 1.2 and 1.3, is included in The
- 13 District's facilities plan amendment?
- 14 A. No, I'm not aware of that specifically.
- 15 Q. Are you aware that The District is a
- 16 designated management agency for Rockwell -- for the
- 17 area Rockwell seeks to serve?
- 18 MR. CASEY: Objection. You assume a legal
- 19 conclusion.
- 20 MS. MOSBY: Your Honors, that is -- that's not a
- 21 legal conclusion. That's incorrect. That's a
- 22 decision that was made by NIPC and the title was

- 1 given to The District.
- JUDGE HILLIARD: That's not in evidence. You can
- 3 ask him a question. If he knows the answer, he can
- 4 answer the question.
- 5 MS. MOSBY: Your Honors, that actually is in
- 6 evidence through our witness' testimony.
- 7 JUDGE HILLIARD: Which hasn't been admitted yet.
- 8 MS. MOSBY: But it has been filed in this case
- 9 and purports to be --
- 10 JUDGE HILLIARD: You can ask him the question.
- 11 If he's knows the answer, he can answer it.
- MS. MOSBY: Q. Do you need me to repeat the
- 13 question?
- 14 A. Yes, please. Can you repeat it.
- 15 Q. Are you aware that The District is a
- 16 designated management agency for the area that
- 17 Rockwell seeks to serve?
- 18 A. No, I'm not aware of that and it's my
- 19 understanding that that is the matter in question.
- 20 Q. In your revised testimony, Mr. Carroll,
- 21 again Page 5, Lines 103 and 104, you state that you
- 22 have overall responsibility for the operations of

- 1 Rockwell. Is that a correct statement?
- 2 A. Yes, that is correct.
- 3 Q. Have you filed at this point on behalf of
- 4 Rockwell an application with NIPC to modify the
- 5 district's FPA?
- 6 A. No, we have not filed any such document.
- 7 Q. Have you directed anyone to file on behalf
- 8 of Rockwell an application with NIPC to modify The
- 9 District's FPA?
- 10 A. No, we have not. I have not.
- 11 Q. Have you filed on behalf of Rockwell an
- 12 application with NIPC to become the designated
- 13 management agency for the Rockwell -- for the area
- 14 that Rockwell seeks to serve?
- 15 A. No.
- 16 Q. And you haven't directed anyone to do that
- 17 either, have you, Mr. Carroll?
- 18 A. No, I have not.
- 19 Q. Just a couple more questions.
- In your surrebuttal testimony, Page 9,
- 21 Lines 181 through 187 -- I'll give you a moment to
- 22 grab that.

- 1 MR. CASEY: Ms. Mosby, what was the cite again?
- MS. MOSBY: Page 9, Lines 181 through 187.
- 3 MR. CASEY: Thank you.
- 4 JUDGE HILLIARD: Do you know what exhibit?
- 5 MS. MOSBY: It's Exhibit 9.0.
- 6 THE WITNESS: I have read the cite.
- 7 MS. MOSBY: Q. Okay. Thank you, sir.
- 8 Your Honors ready?
- 9 JUDGE HAYNES: Yes.
- 10 MS. MOSBY: Q. You state that Rockwell provided
- 11 The District with a copy of Rockwell's filing. Are
- 12 you referring to Rockwell's petition for a temporary
- 13 certificate?
- 14 A. Could I refer to the exhibit?
- 15 (A brief pause.)
- 16 JUDGE HILLIARD: You are asking him about Lines
- 17 181 and 187 on Page 9?
- 18 MS. MOSBY: Yes, sir. It's specifically the
- 19 lines beginning at 183 through 185.
- 20 JUDGE HILLIARD: Okay.
- 21 THE WITNESS: And that response was referring to
- 22 the letter from my attorney, Mr. Casey, to one of

- 1 the attorneys for Northern Moraine Reclamation
- 2 District transmitting to him all copies of the
- 3 petitions that were -- and exhibits that were
- 4 currently in existence at that time.
- 5 MS. MOSBY: Q. Okay. And you say --
- 6 A. I need to refer back to the dates. I
- 7 believe at that time there was no revised petition.
- 8 There was only our initial petition. I need to
- 9 change that.
- 10 Q. I'm sorry, Mr. Carroll. And that was your
- 11 petition for a temporary certificate, or the
- 12 permanent certificate, or both?
- 13 A. Excuse me. I don't -- I don't know at this
- 14 time what was included with that.
- 15 Q. Okay. Was the date your temporary
- 16 certificate -- the date you filed your temporary
- 17 certificate was that July 24, 2006?
- 18 MR. CASEY: Your Honors, while Mr. Carroll's
- 19 looking, I'm going to state an objection now based
- 20 on this line of questioning. The point is that
- 21 NoMo's trying to make -- if the point that NoMo is
- 22 trying to make is that they didn't receive notice

- 1 and, therefore, the temporary certificate is somehow
- 2 deficient, that's been litigated by the Commission.
- 3 Staff has indicated in their motion to strike such
- 4 line is a collateral attack on the Commission's
- 5 previous order.
- 6 MS. MOSBY: Your Honors, actually the point goes
- 7 to Mr. Carroll's testimony that The District was
- 8 served with notice of this position and the point is
- 9 The District was not, and, in effect, was not for 16
- 10 days or more after the petition was filed, so I
- 11 believe The District has a right to correct the
- 12 record.
- 13 MR. CASEY: The point is whether or not NoMo's
- 14 entitled to notice and the Commission ruled they
- 15 were not.
- 16 MS. MOSBY: The District objects to that and
- 17 totally disagrees with Mr. Casey.
- 18 JUDGE HILLIARD: You can argue that in briefs.
- 19 Just ask questions of the witness and let the
- 20 witness answer the questions.
- 21 MS. MOSBY: Okay.
- MR. CASEY: Is there a question pending, your

- 1 Honors, or was my objection sustained?
- 2 JUDGE HILLIARD: Your objection is noted for the
- 3 record. The witness can answer the question.
- 4 MR. CASEY: Could we have the question back?
- 5 MS. MOSBY: Absolutely.
- 6 MS. MOSBY: Q. The date that Rockwell filed its
- 7 petition for temporary certificate was July 24,
- 8 2006; is that correct?
- 9 A. Yes, I believe that's correct.
- 10 Q. And your letter that you attached as JPC, I
- 11 believe, 9.2 -- Exhibit 9.2 to your surrebuttal
- 12 testimony, it states that Rockwell was provided a
- 13 copy of that petition by mail. Is that U.S. Mail?
- 14 A. I don't know.
- 15 Q. But, in any case, that copy of that notice
- 16 was sent on August 11th by way -- at least that's
- 17 the date of your cover letter, Exhibit 9.2.
- 18 A. The question is -- would you please indicate
- 19 what your question is?
- 20 Q. Absolutely. The date of your cover letter
- 21 is dated August 11th; is that correct?
- 22 A. That is, but that is a cover letter from my

- 1 attorney, Mr. Casey, to their attorney and it's not
- 2 my cover letter.
- 3 Q. I understand it's not yours, but it is dated
- 4 August 11th.
- 5 A. Yes, that is correct.
- 6 Q. Thank you.
- 7 Are you aware that the same date that
- 8 your petition was filed, July 24th '06, your
- 9 attorneys did have a conversation about The District
- 10 possibly intervening?
- 11 A. No, I'm not aware of that specifically on
- 12 that date.
- 13 Q. Okay. It's a part of the discovery that
- 14 your attorneys submitted; is that correct?
- 15 JUDGE HILLIARD: Just ask questions, Ma'am.
- 16 MS. MOSBY: Okay. Nothing further.
- 17 JUDGE HILLIARD: You don't have any --
- 18 MS. BUELL: No questions from staff.
- 19 JUDGE HAYNES: Redirect?
- 20 MR. CASEY: Can we have one moment?
- 21 JUDGE HAYNES: Sure.
- 22 (A brief pause.)

- 1 MR. CASEY: No redirect.
- JUDGE HAYNES: Thank you, Mr. Carroll.
- 3 THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- 4 JUDGE HAYNES: Mr. Casey, would you like to call
- 5 your next witness.
- 6 MR. CASEY: Yes, Honor. And while we're making
- 7 that transfer, your Honors had allowed certain
- 8 witnesses to appear or their testimony to be entered
- 9 by affidavit at least on behalf of Rockwell. Those
- 10 include Rockwell 3.0R, Rockwell Exhibit 4.0R,
- 11 Rockwell Exhibit 6.0, Rockwell Exhibit 7.0. I ask
- 12 those be admitted into the record.
- 13 JUDGE HAYNES: Could you clarify for the record
- 14 what those documents are?
- 15 MR. CASEY: Certainly. The Exhibit 3.0R is the
- 16 Revised Direct Testimony of David R. Monie. Exhibit
- 17 4.0R is the Revised Direct Testimony of Michael
- 18 Albach. Exhibit 6.0 is the Rebuttal Testimony of
- 19 Michael Albach, and Exhibit 7.0 is Rebuttal
- 20 Testimony of David Monie.
- 21 JUDGE HAYNES: And these have been filed on
- 22 e-docket?

- 1 MR. CASEY: They have been filed on e-docket and
- 2 the affidavit then would be submitted today.
- 3 JUDGE HAYNES: Okay. Is there any objection to
- 4 admitting this testimony?
- 5 MS. MOSBY: No objection from The District.
- 6 MS. BUELL: No objection from staff, your Honors.
- 7 JUDGE HAYNES: Okay. Then Exhibit 3.0R, 4.0R,
- 8 6.0, and 7.0, as previously filed on e-docket and
- 9 affidavits of two witnesses, are admitted into the
- 10 record.
- 11 (Whereupon, 3.0R, 4.0R,
- 12 6.0 and 7.0 were
- 13 received in evidence.)
- 14 JUDGE HILLIARD: Court Reporter, just for
- 15 purposes of recordkeeping here, were Exhibits 1.0
- 16 and 7.OR, 5.0 and 9.0 admitted?
- 17 COURT REPORTER: I'm not sure.
- 18 JUDGE HAYNES: Just note they are, and 5.0 are.
- 19 Good morning.
- 20 MS. GALIOTO: Good morning, your Honors. At this
- 21 time I would to call Jeremy C. Lin.
- JUDGE HAYNES: Please raise your right hand.

- 1 (Witness sworn.)
- 2 Thank you.
- JEREMY C. LIN,
- 4 called as a witness herein, having been first duly
- 5 sworn, was examined and testified as follows:
- 6 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 7 BY
- 8 MS. GALIOTO:
- 9 Q. Mr. Lin, would you state your full name and
- 10 spell your last name for the record.
- 11 A. My name is Jeremy C. Lin, L-i-n.
- 12 Q. By whom are you employed and in what
- 13 capacity?
- 14 A. I'm employed by Lintech Engineering, 1496
- 15 Merchant Drive, Algonquin, Illinois, 60102, and I'm
- 16 managing principal of the company.
- 17 Q. Mr. Lin, did you submit revised direct
- 18 testimony, rebuttal testimony, and surrebuttal
- 19 testimony in this proceeding?
- 20 A. I did.
- Q. Was your revised direct testimony marked
- 22 Rockwell Exhibit 2.0R?

- 1 A. Correct.
- 2 Q. And was your revised testimony marked
- 3 Rockwell Exhibit 8.0?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. And was your rebuttal or your surrebuttal
- 6 testimony marked Rockwell Exhibit 10.0?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Do you have any changes to any of those
- 9 three pages of testimony today?
- 10 A. I have a few changes to my surrebuttal
- 11 testimony, Rockwell Exhibit 10.0.
- 12 Q. Can you tell us what the first change is?
- 13 A. The first change is on Page 3, Line 56.
- 14 That line the word "second" starting with "second,"
- 15 I like to strike the next two paragraphs -- the next
- 16 two sentences and replace that with the following.
- 17 MS. MOSBY: That was your revised direct
- 18 testimony?
- 19 THE WITNESS: It was my surrebuttal testimony.
- 20 MS. BUELL: So that's Rockwell Exhibit 10.0 and
- 21 you are on Page 3?
- 22 THE WITNESS: Page 3, yes.

- 1 MS. BUELL: Could you repeat the lines, please.
- 2 THE WITNESS: Yes. Starting with Line 56, the
- 3 word "second comma" --
- 4 MS. MOSBY: I'm sorry. Did you guys prepare an
- 5 errata for that?
- 6 MS. GALIOTO: He's going to detail the changes
- 7 right now. We'll be submitting an errata for the
- 8 record subsequent to the proceeding if that's
- 9 acceptable.
- 10 JUDGE HAYNES: Is there a lot of changes?
- 11 MS. GALIOTO: He has a change to the second and
- 12 third and then there's just an exhibit number
- 13 change.
- 14 JUDGE HAYNES: Go ahead.
- 15 THE WITNESS: Starting with "second," replace the
- 16 next two sentences with the following: "The
- 17 existing facility, in fact, does have 150 days
- 18 winter storage volume for the permitted 3,210 P.E.
- 19 capacity based on the first cell and second cell
- 20 lagoons having reserve volume, " then my testimony
- 21 will continue on Page 59 with third comma, and I
- 22 would like to strike starting at Line 59 beginning

- 1 with the letter -- I'm sorry -- Line 60 -- at the
- 2 end of Line 60 starting with "i-n" striking that
- 3 sentence and replacing it with the following: "In
- 4 the event increased capacity is required that
- 5 necessitates construction, the cost of the
- 6 construction would reduce the purchase price by an
- 7 equal amount. Per paragraph 2(e) of the asset
- 8 purchase agreement, Rockwell's costs to purchase the
- 9 facility and to expand that facility's capacity may
- 10 not exceed the maximum purchase price. Any costs in
- 11 excess thereto would be paid by the seller, Lakemore
- 12 Building Corporation."
- 13 And my final revisions appear on Page 5
- 14 on Line 90, the reference to Exhibit JPC 2.3 should
- 15 be revised to Exhibit JCL; similarly, in Line 92 --
- 16 JUDGE HAYNES: 2.3?
- 17 THE WITNESS: JCL 2.3.
- 18 Similarly, on Line 92 instead of JPC
- 19 2.3 should be JCL 2.3.
- 20 JUDGE HILLIARD: Do you have a written version of
- 21 your changes?
- 22 JUDGE HAYNES: A lot of those sentences --

- 1 MS. GALIOTO: We'll provide that after today's
- 2 hearing to you.
- 3 JUDGE HILLIARD: You don't have a copy for the
- 4 people who will be crossing the witness today?
- 5 MS. GALIOTO: I do not. We can use --
- 6 JUDGE HILLIARD: Do you have a copy that he read
- 7 from that you can make a copy and give it to them?
- 8 MS. GALIOTO: Yes, we can hand them a handwritten
- 9 сору.
- 10 JUDGE HILLIARD: You can make a copy so the
- 11 witness has a copy. Also, you can use the
- 12 Commission's copier down the hall.
- 13 MS. MOSBY: Your Honors, The District is going to
- 14 object to these substantive changes just on the
- 15 basis we have not had time to review this
- 16 information, nor have we had time to have our
- 17 experts review this information so that we can
- 18 prepare an effective cross-examination. Giving that
- 19 to us two minutes before we're suppose to
- 20 cross-examine this witness is absolutely
- 21 unacceptable.
- JUDGE HAYNES: Let's get a copy of it and then

- 1 have this discussion, because I don't know how
- 2 substantive the changes are.
- 3 MS. GALIOTO: Your Honors, if we could take a
- 4 break to do that.
- 5 MS. MOSBY: Can we have a break after we receive
- 6 the copy so we can review the information?
- 7 JUDGE HAYNES: Yes.
- 8 MS. BUELL: Your Honors --
- 9 JUDGE HILLIARD: Yes.
- 10 MS. BUELL: -- how long a break are we talking?
- 11 JUDGE HILLIARD: Just enough for to copy and to
- 12 review it. I would estimate 5 or 10 minutes.
- 13 MS. BUELL: Okay.
- 14 (Whereupon, a recess was
- 15 taken.)
- 16 Let's go back on the record.
- Now that everybody has had a copy of
- 18 the changes, does The District have an objection?
- 19 MS. MOSBY: Your Honors, The District maintains
- 20 its objection again that Rockwell's submitted
- 21 substantive changes to surrebuttal testimony the day
- 22 of the hearing and not allowing us to adequately

- 1 confer with our experts to either verify or to even
- 2 discuss this information and provide adequate
- 3 cross-examination.
- 4 MS. GALIOTO: Your Honors, if I may respond --
- 5 JUDGE HAYNES: Yes.
- 6 MS. GALIOTO: -- initially, I like to point out
- 7 that the portion of the surrebuttal testimony that
- 8 is in question was responding to allegations made by
- 9 Northern Moraine witness Mr. Trotter out of turn
- 10 himself. It was testimony that's subject to our
- 11 motion to strike for the fact that it constituted
- 12 improper additional direct testimony within his
- 13 rebuttal testimony, and by him raising it, these
- 14 issues at such a late date, Rockwell itself was
- 15 prejudiced in its ability to turn around a response.
- We have a single week preparing for
- 17 hearing, cross examination, motions to compel,
- 18 motions to strike that we're also in the process of
- 19 and these are minor inadvertent errors that
- 20 resulted.
- 21 It is routine at Commission proceedings
- 22 for any corrections to testimony to be made by the

- 1 witness while on the stand at the evidentiary
- 2 hearing, and the reason that is the case is because
- 3 the testimony itself is not submitted into the
- 4 evidentiary record until during the time of the
- 5 evidentiary hearing, so this is not testimony that
- 6 has been previously submitted into the evidentiary
- 7 record and that is being subsequently changed. It's
- 8 being offered for the first time here today.
- 9 The changes that we have identified are
- 10 intended for the purpose of conforming the testimony
- 11 to the truth of the facts in this case and it is the
- 12 Commission's purpose in these proceedings to conform
- 13 the evidence to the truth of the facts, and it would
- 14 be a disservice to the Commission, as well as the
- 15 parties, to overlook a change in testimony that is
- 16 intended to do so.
- 17 And, finally, I would point out that
- 18 this is a mere eight lines of testimony that we're
- 19 talking about in a fairly voluminous record of this
- 20 case and that the second of the two changes is quite
- 21 honestly simply a clarification of the section of
- 22 the asset purchase agreements that set forth the

- 1 fact that Rockwell would not incur these additional
- 2 costs, which was the substance of the original
- 3 testimony, and all it is is conform to the actual
- 4 correct citation to the asset purchase agreement,
- 5 and the asset purchase agreement has been in the
- 6 record since the beginning of this case, so those
- 7 provisions are not new to anybody and they have been
- 8 available to Northern Moraine's counsel, as well as
- 9 its witness, for many months at this point.
- 10 MS. MOSBY: In rebuttal, whether it's eight lines
- 11 or one line, if it's a substantive change, The
- 12 District is disadvantaged by not having the
- 13 opportunity to prepare a response.
- 14 Second of all, Ms. Galioto stated
- 15 Mr. Lin's testifying as to what the asset purchase
- 16 agreement allows. That is legal opinion. In all of
- 17 their motions they're objecting to our experts
- 18 opinion as legal opinions. We can't do it; they
- 19 can't either.
- Third of all, again, this is a
- 21 substantive change. They were given a week she
- 22 says. We're given ten minutes. As such, again, I

- 1 state our objection.
- JUDGE HAYNES: Does staff have --
- 3 MS. BUELL: Your Honors, staff has reviewed these
- 4 changes that Mr. Lin is making to his surrebuttal
- 5 testimony. Staff believes they clarify The
- 6 District's testimony and, as such, has no objection
- 7 to the amendment.
- 8 JUDGE HAYNES: With respect to the second change,
- 9 talking about the asset purchase agreement, it's not
- 10 so substantive that The District could not
- 11 adequately cross-examine on it today, and with
- 12 respect to your objection that it's a legal
- 13 conclusion, that's overruled as well. With respect
- 14 to the first change, the objection's also overruled.
- 15 MS. GALIOTO: Q. Mr. Lin, subject to those
- 16 changes, if I were to ask you the questions
- 17 contained within your revised direct, rebuttal, and
- 18 surrebuttal testimony today, would your answers be
- 19 the same.
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 MS. GALIOTO: Your Honors, I would move for
- 22 admission into the record of Rockwell

- 1 Exhibits 2.0R, I believe it's 8.0, and 10.0, and I
- 2 would submit the witness for cross-examination.
- 3 JUDGE HAYNES: Is there any objection to entering
- 4 these exhibits into the record?
- 5 MS. BUELL: No objection from staff, your Honors.
- 6 MS. MOSBY: No objection from The District.
- 7 JUDGE HAYNES: Okay. I do ask that Rockwell
- 8 Exhibit 10.0 be filed today with the changes.
- 9 MS. GALIOTO: We'll file an errata subsequent to
- 10 the hearing today.
- 11 JUDGE HAYNES: Then 2.0R, 8.0, and 10.0 are
- 12 admitted into the record.
- 13 (Whereupon, Exhibit Nos.
- 14 2.0R, 8.0, & 10.0 were
- 15 previously marked for
- identification and
- 17 received in evidence.)
- 18 JUDGE HILLIARD: Cross?
- 19 MS. BUELL: Staff has no cross for this witness,
- 20 your Honors.
- 21 MS. MOSBY: The District has a few questions.

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- 1 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 2 BY
- 3 MS. MOSBY:
- 4 O. Good morning, Mr. Lin.
- 5 A. Good morning.
- 6 Q. A few questions for you.
- 7 I'm going to refer you to your rebuttal
- 8 testimony, Page 1, starting at Line 21.
- 9 A. Okay.
- 10 Q. Starting at Line 21, Mr. Lin, you state that
- 11 the Illinois EPA has the duty to administer all
- 12 environmental permitting and certifications systems
- 13 in Illinois. You see that line, Mr. Lin?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. Mr. Lin, was that testimony taken directly
- 16 from Title 10 of the Environmental Protection Act
- 17 cited at 415 ILCS 5/4G?
- 18 MS. GALIOTO: This calls for -- this calls
- 19 for -- I'm sorry. I'll withdraw.
- 20 THE WITNESS: I'm not familiar with that exhibit
- 21 section in the document they're referring to.
- 22 MS. MOSBY: Q. The document -- okay. But you

- 1 did write this testimony, correct?
- 2 A. Correct. That is my belief that the EPA
- 3 administers all the permitting for wastewater
- 4 systems and is the final authority on any facility
- 5 planning area boundaries.
- 6 Q. Is that based on any law that you know of?
- 7 A. That's based on my experience in permitting
- 8 wastewater treatment plants and amending facilities
- 9 planning area boundaries for clients.
- 10 Q. Have you reviewed the Environmental
- 11 Protection Act, Mr. Lin?
- 12 A. Not in detail. That is just my experience
- 13 in talking with IEPA. I'm familiar that with
- 14 facility planning area amendments in the six county
- 15 area go to NIPC and that IEPA makes the final
- 16 decision on it.
- 17 Q. Okay. And in your professional experience,
- 18 have you come across the knowledge to understand
- 19 that the Illinois EPA has the power also to delegate
- 20 -- they have delegation duties and they delegate to
- 21 other agencies, such as NIPC?
- 22 A. I'm not -- let me rephrase. I believe that

- 1 IEPA can delegate the review process and take
- 2 comments from agencies like NIPC, but I have a
- 3 belief that IEPA makes the final decision. They
- 4 just take recommendations from other facilities --
- 5 from other organizations.
- 6 Q. And you did mention NIPC, so you are
- 7 familiar with that agency?
- 8 A. I am, yes.
- 9 JUDGE HILLIARD: What is that?
- 10 MS. MOSBY: That's the Northeastern Illinois
- 11 Planning Commission.
- 12 JUDGE HILLIARD: Okay.
- 13 MS. MOSBY: Q. Are you aware that the Illinois
- 14 EPA has designated NIPC as a water quality planning
- 15 agency for the six county Chicago metropolitan
- 16 region?
- 17 A. Yes, I am.
- 18 Q. And are you aware that that region includes
- 19 the area Rockwell seeks to serve?
- 20 A. I am.
- Q. And are you also aware that NIPC is
- 22 responsible for reviewing wastewater permits?

- 1 A. I don't agree with that question. They are
- 2 -- it's my belief that NIPC reviews applications for
- 3 amendments. They do not issue any permits. IEPA
- 4 issues the actual permits.
- 5 Q. Okay. I'm going to refer to your
- 6 surrebuttal testimony now, Mr. Lin.
- 7 JUDGE HILLIARD: Is that 10.0?
- 8 MS. MOSBY: That is --
- 9 MS. GALIOTO: That's correct, your Honor.
- 10 MS. MOSBY: That's correct.
- 11 MS. MOSBY: Q. Page 5, starting at Line 92.
- 12 A. Okay.
- Q. You discuss or you state there's evidence
- 14 that "clay liner work" was performed subsequent to
- 15 1999.
- 16 A. Correct.
- 17 Q. Isn't it true that the Illinois EPA requires
- 18 all treatment storage cells have a liner, clay or
- 19 otherwise?
- 20 MS. GALIOTO: Objection; calls for legal
- 21 conclusion. That's beyond the scope of the witness'
- 22 testimony as well.

- 1 MS. MOSBY: Q. In your professional opinion,
- 2 Mr. Lin, are you aware -- would you agree that all
- 3 treatment storage cells are required to have a
- 4 liner, clay or otherwise?
- 5 A. Yes, in my professional opinion.
- 6 Q. In your professional experience, would you
- 7 agree that if there is no liner there's a potential
- 8 for groundwater contamination?
- 9 A. I cannot answer that question due to the
- 10 fact not knowing the actual soil conditions in this
- 11 case if there were no clay liner.
- 12 Q. Okay. In your professional opinion,
- 13 Mr. Lin, would you recommend to continue use of a
- 14 treatment storage cell if a liner were missing?
- 15 A. I would recommend a treatment -- some sort
- 16 of clay liner or synthetic liner be installed for
- 17 any treatment with --
- 18 O. But not continued use without such
- 19 installation?
- 20 A. Correct.
- Q. One additional question, Mr. Lin, and then
- 22 we're all done. I just have one follow-up question

- 1 on your revised testimony from 10.0 that you
- 2 submitted today.
- 3 Your testimony doesn't cover whether
- 4 the storage cells of the lagoons have the ability to
- 5 fluctuate the water levels between them, the cells
- 6 in the lagoon, does it?
- 7 A. Can you restate the question. I don't
- 8 understand.
- 9 Q. Sure. Absolutely. Your testimony does not
- 10 cover whether or not there's an ability to fluctuate
- 11 the water levels between the cells and the lagoon?
- 12 A. My testimony does not state anything to that
- 13 effect, does not cover that.
- 14 MS. MOSBY: Okay. We're all done. That's it.
- JUDGE HAYNES: Any redirect?
- 16 MS. GALIOTO: Just give me one second.
- 17 (A brief pause.)
- 18 We have no redirect, your Honors.
- 19 JUDGE HILLIARD: Thank you.
- 20 JUDGE HAYNES: Thank you, Mr. Lin.
- 21 JUDGE HAYNES: Okay. Would staff like to call
- 22 their first witness?

- 1 MS. BUELL: Yes. Thank you, your Honors. Staff
- 2 would like to call Mary H. Everson to the stand.
- JUDGE HAYNES: Good morning, Ms. Everson,
- 4 MS. EVERSON: Good morning.
- 5 JUDGE HAYNES: Please raise your right hand.
- 6 (Witness sworn.)
- 7 Thank you.
- 8 MARY H. EVERSON,
- 9 called as a witness herein, having been first duly
- 10 sworn, was examined and testified as follows:
- 11 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 12 BY
- 13 MS. BUELL:
- Q. Good morning, Ms. Everson. Would you please
- 15 state your full name and spell your last name for
- 16 the record.
- 17 A. Mary H. Everson, E-v-e-r-s-o-n.
- 18 Q. Ms. Everson, by whom are you employed?
- 19 A. The Illinois Commerce Commission.
- 20 Q. And what is your position at the Illinois
- 21 Commerce Commission?
- 22 A. I'm an accountant in the --

- 1 Q. I'm sorry, Mary. Could you please repeat
- 2 your answer to the last question?
- 3 A. I'm an accountant in the Accounting
- 4 Department of the Financial Analysis Division.
- 5 Q. Thank you.
- And, Ms. Everson, have you prepared
- 7 written testimony for purposes of this proceeding?
- 8 A. Yes, I have.
- 9 Q. Do you have before you a document, which has
- 10 been marked for identification as ICC Staff Exhibit
- 11 5.0, which consist of a cover page, 15 pages of
- 12 narrative testimony, Schedule 5.1, and a
- 13 verification and it's titled "Direct Testimony of
- 14 Mary H. Everson?"
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. And is that a true and correct copy of your
- 17 direct testimony that you have prepared for this
- 18 proceeding?
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. Do you also have before you a document,
- 21 which has been marked for identification as ICC
- 22 Staff Exhibit 9.0, which consist of a cover page, 9

- 1 pages of narrative testimony, and a verification,
- 2 and is titled "Rebuttal Testimony of Mary H.
- 3 Everson?"
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. And is this also a true and correct copy of
- 6 the rebuttal testimony that you have prepared for
- 7 this proceeding?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Do you have any corrections that need to be
- 10 made to either your prepared direct or rebuttal
- 11 testimony?
- 12 A. No, I do not.
- 13 O. And is this information contained in ICC
- 14 Staff Exhibits 5.0 and 9.0 true and correct to the
- 15 best of your knowledge?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. And if I were to ask you the same questions
- 18 today, would the answers contained in your prepared
- 19 testimony be the same?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 MS. BUELL: Your Honors, at this time I would ask
- 22 for admission into evidence of Ms. Everson's

- 1 prepared direct testimony marked as ICC Staff
- 2 Exhibit 5.0, including the attached Schedule 5.1,
- 3 and Ms. Everson's prepared rebuttal testimony marked
- 4 as ICC Staff Exhibit 9.0, and I note for the record
- 5 that these are the same documents that were
- 6 originally filed via the Commission's e-docket
- 7 system on April 20th and May 18, 2007 respectively.
- 8 JUDGE HAYNES: Are there any objections?
- 9 MR. CASEY: No objection.
- 10 MS. MOSBY: No objection from The District.
- 11 JUDGE HAYNES: Staff Exhibits 5.0 with attachment
- 12 5.1 and Staff Exhibit 9.0 are admitted into the
- 13 record.
- 14 (Whereupon, Staff Exhbit
- Nos. 5.0, 5.1 & 9.0 were
- 16 previously marked for
- 17 identification and
- 18 received in evidence.)
- 19 MS. BUELL: Thank you, your Honors. I tender
- 20 Ms. Everson for cross-examination.
- 21 JUDGE HAYNES: Okay. Who has cross?
- 22 MR. CASEY: I do.

- 1 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 2 BY
- 3 MR. CASEY:
- 4 O. Ms. Everson, Phil Casey on behalf of
- 5 Rockwell.
- 6 A. Good morning.
- 7 Q. Good morning.
- 8 Directing your attention to your
- 9 Exhibit 9.0, Lines 102 to 103 --
- 10 A. I have them.
- 11 Q. Okay -- in that question and answer you
- 12 indicate that you could not recommend the Commission
- 13 approve Rockwell's ASA until it's formally included
- 14 in the proceedings; is that correct?
- 15 A. At that time, that's correct, yes.
- 16 Q. To your knowledge, has Rockwell formally
- 17 submitted a revised ASA that address the concerns
- 18 that you had and it is now formally part of this
- 19 proceeding?
- 20 A. I reviewed the affiliate service agreement
- 21 that was attached to the surrebuttal testimony of
- 22 John Carroll, and it was labeled "Exhibit JPC 9.1,"

- 1 and that revised affiliate service agreement
- 2 incorporates all of my suggested changes; therefore,
- 3 I would recommend the Commission approve that
- 4 revised affiliate service agreement.
- 5 MR. CASEY: Nothing further.
- 6 JUDGE HAYNES: Okay. Does The District have
- 7 cross?
- 8 MS. MOSBY: The District does not have cross for
- 9 this witness.
- 10 JUDGE HAYNES: Okay. Thank you, Ms. Everson.
- 11 JUDGE HILLIARD: Redirect.
- MS. BUELL: Staff has no redirect, your Honor.
- 13 MR. CASEY: Thank you, Ms. Everson.
- 14 MS. BUELL: Thank you, Mary.
- 15 THE WITNESS: Thanks.
- 16 JUDGE HAYNES: Would you like to call your next
- 17 witness.
- 18 MR. BUELL: Yes. Thank you, your Honor. Staff
- 19 calls Thomas Q. Smith to the stand.
- 20 Good morning, Mr. Smith. Would you
- 21 please state your full name and spell your last name
- 22 for the record.

- 1 JUDGE HAYNES: I'll swear you in.
- 2 MS. BUELL: Sorry.
- 3 JUDGE HAYNES: Good morning.
- 4 (Witness sworn.)
- 5 THOMAS Q. SMITH,
- 6 called as a witness herein, having been first duly
- 7 sworn, was examined and testified as follows:
- 8 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 9 BY
- 10 MS. BUELL:
- 11 Q. Okay. Mr. Smith, now that you are sworn in,
- 12 would you please state your name and spell your last
- 13 name for the record.
- 14 A. Thomas Q. Smith, S-m-i-t-h.
- Q. And, Mr. Smith, by whom are how employed?
- 16 A. The water department of the Illinois
- 17 Commerce Commission.
- 18 Q. And have you prepared written testimony for
- 19 purposes of this proceeding?
- 20 A. Yes, I have.
- 21 Q. Do you have before you a document, which has
- 22 been marked for identification as ICC Staff Exhibit

- 1 2.0, which consists of a cover page, 18 pages of
- 2 narrative testimony, Attachments 1, 2, and 3, and a
- 3 verification titled "Direct Testimony of Thomas Q.
- 4 Smith?"
- 5 A. Yes, I have that.
- 6 Q. Is this a true and correct copy of the
- 7 direct testimony that you prepared for this
- 8 proceeding?
- 9 A. Yes, it is.
- 10 Q. Do you also have before you a document,
- 11 which has been marked for identification as ICC
- 12 Staff Exhibit 7.0, which consists of a cover page, 7
- 13 pages of narrative testimony, Attachments 7.1, 7.2,
- 14 and 7.3, and a verification titled "Rebuttal
- 15 Testimony of Thomas Q. Smith?."
- 16 A. Yes, I have that.
- 17 Q. And is this a true and correct copy of the
- 18 rebuttal testimony that you have prepared for this
- 19 proceeding?
- 20 A. Yes, it is.
- 21 Q. And do you have any corrections to make to
- 22 either your prepared direct or prepared rebuttal

- 1 testimony?
- 2 A. No.
- 3 O. Is the information contained in ICC Staff
- 4 Exhibit 2.0 and 7.0 true and correct to the best of
- 5 your knowledge?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. And if I were to ask you these same
- 8 questions today, would your answers be the same?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 MS. BUELL: Your Honors, at this time I would ask
- 11 for admission into evidence Mr. Smith's prepared
- 12 direct testimony marked as ICC Staff Exhibit 2.0,
- 13 including Attachments 1, 2, and 3, and Mr. Smith's
- 14 prepared rebuttal testimony marked as ICC Staff
- 15 Exhibit 7.0, and I note for the record that these
- 16 are the same documents that were filed originally
- 17 via the Commission's e-docket system on April 20th
- 18 and May 18, 2007 respectively.
- 19 JUDGE HAYNES: Any objections?
- 20 MR. CASEY: No objections, your Honors.
- 21 MS. RICH: No objection.
- 22 JUDGE HAYNES: Staff Exhibit 2.0 with Attachments

- 1 1, 2, and 3, and 7.0 with attachment 7.1, 7.2, and
- 2 7.3 are admitted into the record.
- 3 (Whereupon, Staff Exhibit
- Nos. 2.0, 7.0 thru 7.3
- 5 were previously marked
- for identification and
- 7 received in evidence.)
- 8 Any cross-examination?
- 9 MR. CASEY: Your Honors, we indicated to staff
- 10 that we had -- Rockwell has no cross-examination for
- 11 Mr. Smith.
- 12 JUDGE HAYNES: The District?
- 13 MS. RICH: We have just a brief cross examination
- 14 of Mr. Smith.
- 15 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 16 BY
- 17 MS. RICH:
- 18 Q. Mr. Smith, my name is Nancy Rich. Since you
- 19 certainly were here before, you probably saw that I
- 20 represent the Northern Moraine Wastewater
- 21 Reclamation District. I'll just refer to them as
- 22 "The District" as we go through if that's okay with

- 1 you.
- 2 A. That's fine.
- 3 Q. I would like to ask you some questions about
- 4 the amended petition for a Certificate of Public
- 5 Convenience and Necessity filed on behalf of
- 6 Rockwell Utilities; is that okay?
- 7 MS. BUELL: Depending upon the questions, that's
- 8 not a document that Mr. Smith has sponsored.
- 9 MS. RICH: We're not asking you to reserve or to
- 10 give up any of your objections, Ms. Buell.
- 11 MS. RICH: Q. To make it earlier, I'll just
- 12 refer to Rockwell's amended petition as -- the
- 13 petition as Rockwell; is that okay?
- 14 A. That's fine.
- 15 Q. Okay. But you have submitted testimony
- 16 regarding Rockwell's petition and its merits,
- 17 correct?
- 18 A. I presented testimony in response to
- 19 Rockwell's testimony, and I have presented
- 20 testimony addressing The District's testimony to the
- 21 extent that the petition or information in the
- 22 petition is addressed by the various parties, and,

- 1 yes, I guess I have addressed the petition.
- Q. Okay. As I understand your testimony, you
- 3 hold a position as an economic analyst in the water
- 4 department and that's in the Financial Analysis
- 5 Division of the Commerce Commission?
- 6 A. That's correct, yes.
- 7 Q. Okay. And, as I also understand your
- 8 testimony, your education and training as an
- 9 accountant, correct?
- 10 A. That is correct.
- 11 Q. You have a Bachelor's Degree, in fact, in
- 12 accounting?
- 13 A. That's correct, too.
- Q. And your work experience consist of seven
- 15 years in accounting posts?
- 16 A. Many more than seven. I was originally
- 17 employed in the Michigan Public Service Commission
- 18 in 1974 and have been employed there and in other
- 19 utility-type accounting, and/or auditing positions,
- 20 until three years ago.
- Q. Okay. So then we're talking more like 30
- 22 years of experience?

- 1 A. Yes.
- Q. And that's all in accounting, correct?
- 3 A. The term "experience" could be -- I mean,
- 4 generally that's in accounting in, yes.
- 5 Q. Okay. But, for example, you are not an
- 6 engineer?
- 7 A. I do not have a degree in engineering,
- 8 correct, or any type of licensing in engineering,
- 9 correct.
- 10 Q. And you never worked as an engineer?
- 11 A. Well, I don't know. I mean, I have designed
- 12 rates, which is generally considered an engineering
- 13 function, so, in that sense, I have.
- Q. But you have no degree in engineering though
- 15 or anything like that?
- 16 A. No, I think I previously indicated I do not
- 17 have a degree in engineering, that's correct.
- 18 Q. Okay. So your work in rates is then based
- 19 upon experience, correct?
- 20 A. Well, it's based on my experience and my
- 21 education, yes.
- Q. Okay. So when you say in your testimony

- 1 that you inspected the operating system and the
- 2 service area proposed to be served by Rockwell water
- 3 and sewer system, you did that based upon your
- 4 general training and experience and not as an
- 5 engineer, correct?
- 6 A. I did it base on my knowledge of public
- 7 utilities, my knowledge of 83 Illinois
- 8 Administrative Code 600. That was the basis of my
- 9 inspection.
- 10 Q. But you didn't go out there and conduct any
- 11 physical testing of the operating systems that
- 12 Rockwell proposes to serve the area with, did you?
- 13 A. Testing is a pretty broad term. Can you
- 14 narrow that down?
- 15 Q. Physical testing.
- 16 A. You are asking me if I turned any valves? I
- 17 mean, I inspected the physical plant. I didn't turn
- 18 any valves that I remember.
- 19 Q. So the actual valve turning that you are
- 20 talking about, that typical inspection that would be
- 21 done by an engineer normally, wouldn't it?
- 22 A. No. Our department -- I mean, first of all,

- 1 this wasn't -- this was an inspection for compliance
- 2 with -- with the rules of the Commission and for --
- 3 and it was based on my need to inspect as a result
- 4 of the Public Utilities Act 8-406. It wasn't -- I
- 5 mean, the department does not have many people who
- 6 are not engineers. We do inspections all the time,
- 7 so when you say turning valves and whatnot, I don't
- 8 know that that's even relevant to what I did.
- 9 Q. Okay. So you never reviewed any reports of
- 10 the physical testing or even knew, for example, if
- 11 there were any?
- 12 A. I'm having difficulty in terms of where you
- 13 are going. I mean, I don't want to start answering
- 14 speculative-type questions that have nothing to do
- 15 with what I'm testifying to and I'm not sure --
- 16 Q. Right.
- 17 A. -- what you are looking for.
- 18 Q. And I apologize. I want to be clear as
- 19 well. You didn't review any reports that pertain to
- 20 what we call here valve turning?
- 21 A. Well, I mean, I reviewed reports that were
- 22 available. Now this company has not -- Lakemoor,

- 1 who owned the utility at that time, was not under
- 2 the jurisdiction of the Commission and they were not
- 3 regulated, so reports that weren't -- would normally
- 4 be available were not available.
- 5 Now had it been under the
- 6 regulation of the Commission, what I would have
- 7 reviewed might well have or would have been
- 8 difficult than in this particular circumstance, but
- 9 I went out there. I looked at pressure gauges. I
- 10 looked at the pumps. I looked at, you know, the
- 11 tanks -- the storage tanks. I reviewed what records
- 12 were available.
- 13 Q. Okay. And the records that were available
- 14 those were provided by Rockwell, correct?
- 15 A. Rockwell provided me access to the -- to the
- 16 facilities. Now who actually provided the records
- 17 in terms of owning the records, I mean, I would
- 18 review it, that whoever owns the records ultimately
- 19 provided the records, I don't know who that was. I
- 20 presumed Lakemoor because they owned the system at
- 21 that time.
- Q. I'm going to turn to a different topic,

- 1 referring to your direct testimony, Page 9, Lines
- 2 200 to 202. Just tell me when you are ready and
- 3 when you are there.
- 4 A. I'm ready.
- 5 Q. You say that you have seen no convincing
- 6 evidence that The District currently processes the
- 7 assets that are required to provide immediate sewer
- 8 service in the service area; is that correct?
- 9 A. Yes, that's what my testimony state.
- 10 Q. You never inspected Northern Moraine
- 11 District's operating system or their facilities, did
- 12 you?
- 13 A. My understanding that Northern Moraine has
- 14 no operating system within the area that's at issue
- 15 in the certificate, so, yes, I did not inspect any
- 16 Northern Moraine-owned assets in that sense. I did
- 17 familiarize myself with the location of Northern
- 18 Moraine's collection mains as presented -- or as
- 19 that information was given to me by Rockwell
- 20 personnel.
- 21 Q. And you didn't interview anybody from The
- 22 District regarding The District's capacity?

- 1 A. I sent out several data requests addressing
- 2 that question. In person, I don't believe I spoke
- 3 with anybody.
- 4 Q. Okay. You never asked for or reviewed any
- 5 financial information regarding The District's
- 6 ability to provide service, did you?
- 7 A. Well, again, I asked data requests -- I sent
- 8 out data requests requesting financial information,
- 9 cost of providing service, et cetera, yes.
- 10 Q. And, as part of that, did you review The
- 11 District's 2004 facilities plan amendment?
- 12 A. I reviewed it briefly, yes.
- 13 Q. Just one moment, please.
- 14 (A brief pause.)
- Okay. Just a couple more questions,
- 16 Mr. Smith. I just want to cut to the chase here, so
- 17 when you do your investigations, the law that you
- 18 are focused on then is the Public Utilities Act?
- 19 A. Yes, that's correct.
- 20 Q. So you are not out there looking at another
- 21 law. You are just in this particular case looking
- 22 at 8-406?

- 1 A. Primarily for 406. There may be other parts
- 2 of the Public Utilities Act that impact it but
- 3 nothing -- nothing beyond the Public Utilities Act.
- 4 Q. Okay. So then it's not part of your job to
- 5 get into the issue of say, for example, references
- 6 in the facilities plan amendment submitted by The
- 7 District and approved by the Northeastern Planning
- 8 Commission, or NIPC as you heard it referred to
- 9 today. That's just not part of your analysis,
- 10 correct?
- 11 A. Can you be more specific? It's a pretty
- 12 broad question.
- 13 Q. Okay. So, in other words, let me see if I
- 14 can rephrase it to make it a little more clear.
- 15 You never reviewed the 2004 District
- 16 facilities plan amendment for purposes of compliance
- 17 with any law other than the Public Utilities Act,
- 18 correct?
- 19 A. Correct, not for purposes of compliance with
- 20 any other law to the extent that it may have some
- 21 impact on the Public Utilities Act. I mean, that's
- 22 something -- that's what I would have been looking

- 1 for in my review.
- Q. And in this particular review you didn't
- 3 find that any other law had any impact on the Public
- 4 Utilities Act?
- 5 A. That's correct.
- 6 Q. Just one more topic, and I'm going to ask
- 7 you, you know, again, based on all these years of
- 8 experience that I have heard you testify here about
- 9 today, about your experience and your professional
- 10 opinion, in all these years of working in rates and
- 11 utilities, you agree that a company that
- 12 consistently operates with its expenses exceeding
- 13 its revenue is going to be sustainable over the long
- 14 term?
- 15 MS. BUELL: Objection, your Honor. That's beyond
- 16 the scope of Mr. Smith's testimony.
- MS. RICH: The response to that is it goes to
- 18 least cost. Something not sustainable, they're
- 19 clearly not least cost.
- 20 MS. BUELL: You want to ask Mr. Smith questions
- 21 about his least cost analysis, I would say that's
- 22 within his testimony but anything else would be

- 1 beyond the scope.
- JUDGE HILLIARD: Overruled.
- 3 THE WITNESS: Could I have the question read
- 4 back, please.
- 5 MS. RICH: Certainly.
- 6 MS. RICH: Q. In your professional opinion,
- 7 would you agree that a company that's consistently
- 8 operating with its expenses exceeding its revenues
- 9 is not going to be sustainable over the long term?
- 10 A. I always have trouble with questions that
- 11 are hypothetical in nature. It becomes very
- 12 difficult to provide a nonspeculative answer,
- 13 because the whole question is speculative.
- I guess I would agree that if an entity
- 15 without regard to any other entities it may be
- 16 related to that without regard to somebody who might
- 17 not be willing to subsidize.
- 18 There are many, many, many assumptions
- 19 that have to be made, but, as a general proposition,
- 20 if expenses exceed revenues, the utility will or a
- 21 company or an enterprise will eventually go
- 22 bankrupt.

- 1 Q. There's been some testimony in this
- 2 proceeding about depreciation and I need your help
- 3 on a question here. Is it correct that for sewage
- 4 treatment plants a 50-year depreciation period
- 5 provides an adequate way to represent the ultimate
- 6 replacement cost of a system, that is repairs and
- 7 then ultimately replacement?
- 8 MS. BUELL: Objection, your Honors. That's
- 9 clearly beyond the scope of Mr. Smith's testimony.
- 10 He does not mention depreciation, nor has he
- 11 reviewed depreciation at all in this proceeding
- 12 ultimately.
- 13 JUDGE HILLIARD: Sustained.
- 14 MS. RICH: I have no further questions for
- 15 Mr. Smith at this time.
- 16 JUDGE HAYNES: Redirect?
- MS. BUELL: May I have five minutes, please?
- 18 JUDGE HAYNES: Sure.
- 19 MS. BUELL: Thank you.
- 20 (A brief pause.)
- 21 Your Honors, staff has no redirect for
- 22 this witness, Judge.

- 1 JUDGE HAYNES: Okay. Thank you.
- 2 JUDGE HILLIARD: We'll take a lunch break. Other
- 3 witnesses?
- 4 MS. BUELL: I have testimony to move into the
- 5 record via affidavit if you want to do that now.
- 6 JUDGE HILLIARD: That's fine.
- 7 MS. BUELL: Staff moves for admission to the
- 8 evidentiary record ICC Staff Exhibit 4.0 titled
- 9 "Direct Testimony of Mike Luth" and ICC Staff
- 10 Exhibit 1.0, which is the affidavit of Mike Luth.
- 11 JUDGE HAYNES: That's L-u-t-h?
- 12 MS. BUELL: L-u-t-h, yes. Thank you.
- 13 Staff further moves into the
- 14 evidentiary record ICC Staff Exhibit 3.0, which is
- 15 titled "Direct Testimony of Janis Freetly." That's
- 16 J-a-n-i-s F-r-e-e-t-l-y.
- 17 Staff further moves ICC Staff Exhibit
- 18 8.0, which is titled "Rebuttal Testimony of Janis
- 19 Freetly, " and also ICC Staff Exhibit 10.0, which is
- 20 Ms. Freetly's affidavit.
- 21 And, finally, staff moves into the
- 22 evidentiary record ICC Staff Exhibit 6.0 titled

- 1 "Direct Testimony of William R. Johnson," and
- 2 Mr. Johnson's affidavit marked for identification as
- 3 Staff Exhibit 12.0. All of these documents have
- 4 previously been filed via on the Commission's
- 5 e-docket system.
- 6 JUDGE HAYNES: Any objections?
- 7 MR. CASEY: No objections.
- 8 MS. RICH: No objections.
- 9 JUDGE HAYNES: Staff Exhibit 4.0, 1.0, 3.0, 8.0,
- 10 10.0, 6.0, and 12.0, are admitted into the record.
- 11 (Whereupon, Staff Exhibit
- Nos. 4.0, 1.0, 3.0,
- 8.0, 10.0, 6.0, and 12.0
- 14 were previously marked
- for identification and
- received in evidence.)
- 17 MS. BUELL: Staff has nothing further,
- 18 your Honors.
- MS. MOSBY: Your Honors, before we break for
- 20 lunch, previously staff and Rockwell stated that
- 21 they could possibly have no questions for our
- 22 witnesses.

- Can I ask at this time if we'll even
- 2 need to call The District witnesses, and, if so,
- 3 which ones?
- 4 MS. BUELL: Staff needs to discuss that over the
- 5 lunch break, your Honors.
- 6 JUDGE HILLIARD: Okay.
- 7 JUDGE HAYNES: Okay.
- 8 JUDGE HILLIARD: In the afternoon we are going to
- 9 rearrange the duck chairs here. We would like staff
- 10 and Rockwell to be on the same side, whatever side
- 11 that is, so if there is any cross-examination,
- 12 they'll be basically facing each other instead of
- 13 talking to each other.
- 14 How long do you want to take for lunch?
- 15 JUDGE HILLIARD: An hour.
- 16 MS. RICH: That's fine.
- 17 JUDGE HILLIARD: 1 o'clock back here. See you
- 18 then.
- 19 (Whereupon, a luncheon
- 20 break was taken.)
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- 1 (Whereupon, the
- 2 proceedings resumed as
- follows:)
- 4 We'll go back on the record then.
- 5 JUDGE HAYNES: The District likes to call Ken
- 6 Michaels.
- 7 MS. MOSBY: Sure.
- 8 JUDGE HILLIARD: Everybody else is done?
- 9 MR. CASEY: Correct.
- 10 MS. BUELL: Correct.
- 11 MS. MOSBY: The District calls Mr. Ken Michaels.
- 12 JUDGE HAYNES: Good afternoon, Mr. Michaels.
- 13 Please raise your right hand.
- 14 (Witness sworn.)
- Thank you.
- 16 KEN MICHAELS,
- 17 called as a witness herein, havng been first duly
- 18 sworn, was examined and testified as follows:
- 19 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 20 BY
- 21 MS. MOSBY:
- Q. Mr. Michaels, please state your full name

- 1 for the record and please spell your last name.
- 2 A. Kenneth A. Michaels, Jr. Michaels is
- $3 \quad M-i-c-h-a-e-l-s.$
- 4 Q. And what is your occupation, Mr. Michaels?
- 5 A. I'm an attorney.
- 6 Q. And what is your profession with The
- 7 District?
- 8 A. I have been -- I was appointed trustee
- 9 initially in 1994, as I recall, and I have served as
- 10 trustee continuously since. I am presently the
- 11 president of The District.
- 12 Q. What is your business address?
- 13 A. 53 West Jackson Boulevard, Suite 1115,
- 14 Chicago, Illinois, 60604.
- Q. And in this proceeding you submitted direct
- 16 testimony marked as MMWRD Exhibit 1.0 and you also
- 17 submitted rebuttal testimony marked as MMWRD 6.0; is
- 18 that correct?
- 19 A. That is correct.
- 20 Q. Do you have any changes today to that
- 21 testimony?
- 22 A. No, I do not.

- 1 Q. Is the information contained in Exhibit
- 2 MMWRD 1.0 true and correct to the best of your
- 3 knowledge?
- 4 A. Yes, it is.
- 5 Q. If I asked you questions that are in that
- 6 document today, would the answers be the same as
- 7 they are in MMWRD 1.0?
- 8 A. Yes, they would.
- 9 Q. Is the information contained in Exhibit
- 10 MMWRD 6.0 true and correct to the best of your
- 11 knowledge?
- 12 A. Yes, it is.
- 13 Q. And if I ask you the questions that are
- 14 contained in MMWRD 6.0 today, would your answers be
- 15 the same as they are in that document?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 MS. MOSBY: The District ask for admission of
- 18 direct testimony MMWRD 1.0 and rebuttal testimony
- 19 MMWRD 6.0 for admission and tender the witness for
- 20 cross.
- 21 JUDGE HAYNES: Objections?
- MR. CASEY: No objections other than those that

- 1 were previously made with respect to the motion to
- 2 strike.
- 3 MS. BUELL: That holds true for staff, too, your
- 4 Honors.
- 5 JUDGE HAYNES: Okay. These Exhibits 1.0 and 6.0
- 6 are admitted pending our decision on a motion to
- 7 strike.
- 8 (Whereupon, MMWRD Exhibit
- 9 Nos. 1.0 and 6.0 were
- 10 previously marked for
- 11 identification and
- 12 received in evidence.)
- MS. MOSBY: Thank you.
- JUDGE HAYNES: Cross-examination, Mr. Casey?
- 15 MR. CASEY: I have nothing.
- 16 JUDGE HAYNES: You have nothing?
- MS. BUELL: Your Honors, staff has no
- 18 cross-examination for this witness.
- 19 JUDGE HILLIARD: Okay.
- 20 JUDGE HAYNES: Okay.
- 21 JUDGE HILLIARD: Thank you.
- 22 THE WITNESS: Thank you very much.

- 1 MS. MOSBY: The District calls Mr. Scott Trotter
- 2 by phone.
- 3 JUDGE HAYNES: Mr. Trotter --
- 4 MS. MOSBY: Mr. Roach, are you on?
- 5 MR. ROACH: Yes, I am.
- 6 JUDGE HAYNES: Well --
- 7 MS. MOSBY: We'll go onto Mr. Roach until we can
- 8 get started.
- 9 JUDGE HAYNES: Okay. Mr. Roach?
- 10 MR. ROACH: Yes.
- 11 JUDGE HAYNES: Please raise your right hand.
- 12 (Witness sworn.)
- 13 Thank you.
- 14 GEORGE OWEN ROACH,
- 15 called as a witness herein, having been first duly
- 16 sworn, was examined and testified as follows:
- 17 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 18 BY
- MS. MOSBY:
- Q. Mr. Roach, this is Monica. How are you.
- 21 A. Good.
- Q. Please state your full name, spell your last

- 1 name for the record.
- 2 A. George Owen Roach, R-o-a-c-h.
- 3 Q. Mr. Roach, what is your occupation?
- 4 A. I'm a certified public accountant.
- 5 Q. And what is your business address?
- 6 A. 44 North Walkup Avenue, Crystal Lake,
- 7 Illinois, 60140.
- 8 Q. Spell that street name for the record,
- 9 Mr. Roach.
- 10 A. W-a-l-k-u-p.
- 11 Q. And, Mr. Roach, what's the name of that
- 12 business?
- 13 A. Roach and Associates.
- Q. Mr. Roach, in this proceeding you submitted
- 15 rebuttal testimony MMWRD 5.0; is that correct?
- 16 A. That's correct.
- 17 Q. Do you have any changes to that testimony
- 18 today?
- 19 A. No, I do not.
- 20 O. Is the information contained in Exhibit
- 21 MMWRD true and correct to the best of your
- 22 knowledge?

- 1 A. It is.
- Q. If I ask you the questions that are in MMWRD
- 3 5.0 today, would your answers be the same as they
- 4 are in that document?
- 5 A. They would.
- 6 MS. MOSBY: The District ask for admission of
- 7 Exhibit MMWRD 5.0 and tender the witness for cross.
- 8 JUDGE HAYNES: Is there any objections?
- 9 MS. BUELL: Your Honors, for the reasons stated
- 10 in staff's motion to strike, staff objects to the
- 11 admission of this testimony into the record.
- 12 JUDGE HAYNES: Mr. Casey?
- 13 MR. CASEY: The same, your Honors. We did file a
- 14 motion to strike. Subject to your ruling, we don't
- 15 have an objection.
- 16 JUDGE HAYNES: MMWRD Exhibit 5.0 is admitted into
- 17 the record subject to our ruling on the motion to
- 18 strike.
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- 1 (Whereupon, MMWRD Exhibit
- No. 5.0 was previously
- 3 marked for identification
- 4 and received in
- 5 evidence.)
- 6 Mr. Trotter?
- 7 MR. TROTTER: Here.
- 8 MS. MOSBY: The staff or Mr. Casey, have any
- 9 cross for Mr. Roach?
- 10 JUDGE HAYNES: Cross?
- 11 MS. BUELL: Staff has no cross for this witness,
- 12 your Honors.
- MR. CASEY: No cross, your Honors.
- 14 JUDGE HAYNES: Thank you.
- MS. MOSBY: Thank you, Mr. Roach.
- 16 THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- MS. MOSBY: Mr. Trotter --
- 18 MR. TROTTER: Yes.
- 19 MS. MOSBY: -- this is Monica.
- 20 MR. TROTTER: Hi, hello.
- 21 MS. MOSBY: Hi.
- JUDGE HAYNES: Please raise your right hand.

- 1 (Witness sworn.)
- 2 Thank you.
- 3 ROBERT SCOTT TROTTER,
- 4 called as a witness herein, having been first duly
- 5 sworn, was examined and testified as follows:
- 6 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 7 BY
- 8 MS. MOSBY:
- 9 Q. Mr. Trotter, would you please state your
- 10 full name for spell your last name for the record.
- 11 A. Robert Scott Trotter. That is spelled
- 12 T-r-o-t-t-e-r.
- 13 Q. Mr. Trotter, what is your occupation?
- 14 A. I'm an engineer -- civil engineer.
- Q. And what's the name of your business?
- 16 A. Trotter and Associates, Incorporated.
- 17 O. And where is Trotter and Associates located?
- 18 A. 16 North First Avenue, St. Charles,
- 19 Illinois, 60174.
- 20 Q. Now, Mr. Trotter, in this proceeding you
- 21 submitted Direct Testimony MMWRD 2.0 and Rebuttal
- 22 Testimony MMWRD 4.0; is that correct?

- 1 A. That is correct.
- Q. Do you have any changes to that testimony,
- 3 Mr. Trotter?
- 4 A. I do not.
- 5 Q. Is the information contained in Exhibit
- 6 MMWRD 2.0 true and correct to the best of your
- 7 knowledge?
- 8 A. It is.
- 9 Q. If I ask you questions that are in MMWRD 2.0
- 10 today, would your answers be the same as they are in
- 11 that document?
- 12 A. That is correct, yes.
- 13 Q. Great. Is the information contained in
- 14 Exhibit MMWRD 4.0 true and correct to the best of
- 15 your knowledge?
- 16 A. It is.
- 17 Q. If I were to ask you questions that are in
- 18 MMWRD 4.0 today, would the answers be the same as
- 19 they are in that document?
- 20 A. They would be.
- 21 MS. MOSBY: The District asks for admission of
- 22 Exhibits MMWRD 2.0 and MMWRD 4.0 and tender the

- 1 witness for cross.
- JUDGE HAYNES: Any objections?
- 3 MR. CASEY: For reasons stated in our -- in
- 4 Rockwell's motion to strike testimony, we object to
- 5 admission of the testimony but understanding your
- 6 Honors' previous ruling, we have nothing further at
- 7 this time.
- 8 JUDGE HAYNES: Staff?
- 9 MS. BUELL: Holds true for staff, your Honors.
- 10 JUDGE HAYNES: MMWRD Exhibit 2.0 and 4.0 are
- 11 admitted into the record subject to our ruling on
- 12 the motions to strike.
- 13 (Whereupon, MMWRD Exhibit
- Nos. 2.0 & 4.0 were
- 15 previously marked for
- identification and
- 17 received in evidence.)
- 18 Is there any cross-examination for the
- 19 witness?
- 20 MR. CASEY: Rockwell has no cross-examination for
- 21 this witness.
- MS. BUELL: Staff has no cross, your Honors.

- 1 JUDGE HAYNES: Okay. Thank you, Mr. Trotter.
- 2 MR. TROTTER: Thank you.
- JUDGE HILLIARD: Do you have anything else?
- 4 MS. MOSBY: No further witnesses.
- 5 JUDGE HAYNES: Okay. Someone remind me what the
- 6 briefing schedule is.
- 7 MS. BUELL: Your Honors, we had previously set a
- 8 schedule for initial briefs and reply briefs,
- 9 initial briefs June 15th and reply briefs June 22nd.
- 10 JUDGE HAYNES: And did we put a date on the
- 11 proposed order?
- 12 MS. BUELL: No, we did not.
- 13 JUDGE HAYNES: Anything further?
- MR. CASEY: Only, your Honors, similar to my
- 15 request on the motion to strike responses and
- 16 replies if you could set forth a time by which those
- 17 pleadings should be served on the parties.
- 18 JUDGE HAYNES: Those dates are for e-mail service
- 19 by 5 p.m., for the briefs. Okay. Yes, Mr. Casey.
- 20 MR. CASEY: I just noticed that we had not set a
- 21 schedule on the proposed order, or I don't recall,
- 22 but given the 4th of July holiday, I was just

- 1 wondering if your Honors had an idea because we are
- 2 going to have exceptions and replies that we'll need
- 3 to file as well.
- 4 JUDGE HAYNES: I am on an abbreviated schedule
- 5 and I foresee getting out proposed orders pretty
- 6 quickly.
- 7 MR. CASEY: In that case, your Honors, instead of
- 8 setting a date certain, perhaps you can work at a
- 9 time frame upon which parties should file either
- 10 briefs on exceptions and replies.
- 11 JUDGE HAYNES: I think that depends on the date
- 12 when proposed orders come out.
- 13 Is there something more you are looking
- 14 for?
- 15 JUDGE HILLIARD: Do you need a specific amount of
- 16 time? It depends on where we are at.
- 17 MR. CASEY: I guess I'm trying to figure out how
- 18 we are going to establish a time frame if we don't
- 19 talk about it now.
- 20 JUDGE HILLIARD: We'll tell you what the time
- 21 frame is.
- 22 MR. CASEY: Then it's quite clear.

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(Laughter.)
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2 MS. BUELL: Or will be.
3 MR. CASEY: We'll wait to hear from you.
4 JUDGE HAYNES: Okay. There's nothing further
5 then this matter is marked heard and taken.
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